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425-9060

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529-2355

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Administration.....	858-1100
Assessor.....	425-1416
Building Inspection	425-0084
City Clerk.....	425-7500
City Hall.....	425-7500
City Development.....	425-4024
Engineering.....	425-7510
Fire Department.....	425-1420
Health Department.....	425-9101
Human Resources.....	858-9392
Library.....	425-8214
Municipal Court.....	425-4768
Parks.....	425-7500
Planning Department.....	425-4024
Police Department.....	425-2522
Public Works.....	425-2592
Recreation.....	423-4646
Sewer & Water.....	421-2613
Treasury.....	425-4770

EMERGENCIES-CALL 911

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Tune Into Channel 25—The City's New Government Access Channel

If you haven't seen it yet, tune into Channel 25 and check out the City of Franklin's new Government Access Channel! Channel 25 offers the City another efficient means for keeping its residents informed. Just in its beginning stages, this channel exhibits monthly meeting schedules, events, election information, library events and information, plus useful reminders on certain City rules and regulations. **Stay informed and up-to-date—watch Channel 25!**



City Endorses Proposed Cultural Arts Center

On February 20th, the Franklin Common Council jumped on board with its Plan Commission in endorsing and giving its initial/preliminary "stamp of approval" for a proposed \$20 Million Franklin Cultural Arts Center. The 65,000 square foot center would be located within the "Fountains of Franklin", a 60-acre shopping and office development to be constructed beginning this spring at the corner of South 51st Street and Rawson Avenue.

The conceptual plan unveiled for the Cultural Arts Center includes an auditorium with 1,350 seats, a banquet hall with seating for 500, and an adjoining community center that will seat 250. The facility will be funded entirely through private donations and grants. A corporate fundraising campaign is scheduled to kick off in March. A fundraising dinner/murder mystery play will take place March 24th at Tuckaway Country Club (see Community Events-Page 3). Ground-breaking for the center is tentatively scheduled for next year.

Join the City of Franklin on April 28th for its Annual City-Wide Clean-Up & Arbor Day Events!

6th Annual City Wide Clean-Up

Franklin students, families, friends, scouts & homeowner associations—help clean up Franklin of winter trash!



The City of Franklin, in conjunction with Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful, Inc., will be hosting the "Great American Cleanup Day". City sponsors will have trash pick up bags available at the **Franklin Public Library, 9151 W. Loomis Road, on Saturday, April 28, from 9 a.m. until 12 Noon.** Participants are asked to pre-register at www.kgmb.org or by calling the City of Franklin Public Works Department at 425-2592. You may also register at the Library on the day of the event.

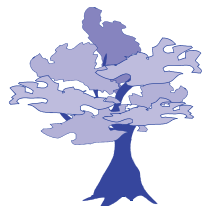
Participants will receive a token of appreciation! Volunteers are asked to bring their own gloves. Filled bags will be picked up April 30th courtesy of the City of Franklin Public Works Department.

8th Annual Arbor Day Event

**Saturday, April 28th
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

**Franklin Public Library
9151 West Loomis Road
(SE Parking Lot by Pond)**

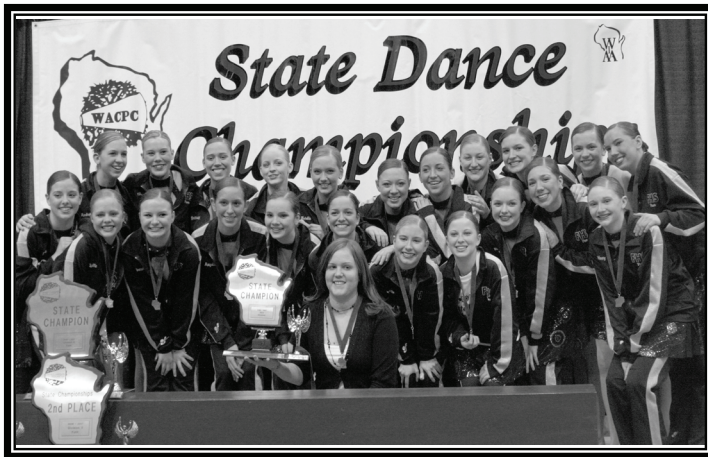
The Franklin Environmental Commission will be distributing trees on **April 28th** to mark **Arbor Day** in the City of Franklin. Tree saplings will be given away on a first come, first serve basis to City residents at the **Franklin Public Library parking lot from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**, or while the limited supply lasts (one per child or one per family).



Trees courtesy of the City of Franklin and the Franklin Environmental Commission



The City Applauds ...



WE Energies for its outstanding achievement in earning the **2006 Business of the Year Award** from the South Suburban Chamber of Commerce! WE Energies employs approximately 80 people at the Oakbrook Service Center on Rawson Avenue in Franklin.

Franklin High School Pom Squad on bringing home two State Championship Awards on February 3, 2007! Coached by **Jessica Allen**, this prestigious 22-girl Pom Squad won the Division I 2006 Pom Competition and then went on to win the 2006 Jazz Competition. Franklin was the only double winner at State this year. In addition to the first State Team Championship for the Pom Squad, squad members **Anna Ward** and **Christina Hendry** received All-State Recognition.



Jordan Kirkegaard on being named the new **Franklin Junior Miss** on Friday, February 2, 2007. Jordan will represent the City of Franklin at the Wisconsin State Junior Miss Program held in November. Six accomplished young women participated in this scholarship program. The girls were judged on scholastics, talent, self-expression, and fitness. **Kate Rundell** was named first alternate and **Kara Markert** was named second alternate. Franklin's Junior Miss Scholarship Program is made possible through the hard work of volunteers and generous donations from local families, business, and civic organizations in the City of Franklin.

The Polish Center Of Wisconsin for its outstanding achievement in earning the **Pride in Premises Award** from the South Suburban Chamber of Commerce! Constructed in the City of Franklin in the Year 2000 as a gathering place to enjoy Polish culture, traditions, art, history, food, and music, The Polish Center also serves as a superb venue for celebrations, meetings, and community gatherings.

Rolling Dice Snowmobile Club on their 30th year of hosting their Annual Snowmobile Festival at Camp Wil-O-Way, where the Rolling Dice riders provide the children and disabled with free rides through the beautiful Milwaukee County Parks. This organization has been helping disabled kids for many years and their hard work and dedication is much appreciated!

Please WELCOME the Following New Businesses to the City of Franklin!

All Solutions, LLC, 4659 W. Basswood Drive, Suite A
(Warehouse and distribution services and light assembly)

Masteq, LLC, 9610 S. Franklin Drive
(Manufacturing of machine tools)

Vroom Vroom R/C Sports, 5012 W. Ashland Way
(Internet and mail-order supplier of radio/remote control cars, trucks, airplanes, boats, slot cars, tracks, parts and accessories)

Wisconsin CyberLynk Network, 10125 S. 52nd Street
(Maintains wired and wireless networks to provide high-speed, commercial grade Internet service to businesses)



SUPPORT FRANKLIN BUSINESSES!



Brush and Leaf Pick-Up

The **Spring brush and leaf pick-up** will take place the first week in May, beginning Monday, May 7th. The City's waste hauler will move through the City starting at 7 a.m. on Monday and work through the week until they are finished. **All brush piles and bagged leaves are required to be curbside and next to the driveway by 7 a.m. on Monday, May 7th.** Brush and bagged leaves that are not out when the hauler goes by will not be picked up at a later date. Your regular garbage will be picked up on your normal garbage pickup day. Please call Public Works at 414-425-2592 with any questions.

Pick-up will include:

- Brush (tree limbs, bush cuttings, and similar) cut to no longer than 5 feet in length and no larger than 6 inches in diameter. Each household is limited to **one pile** not more than 4 feet long by 4 feet high and 5 feet deep. All piles are to be placed curbside next to your driveway. **Please Note: multiple piles, larger piles, and brush thrown in the ditch will not be picked up.**
- Leaves, in bags or other containers (not garbage cans) that can be placed or emptied into the collection truck. Please place bagged leaves away from your regular trash so it will not be missed. **Please Note: Leaves are not to be raked into the street.**
- **No grass clippings, flowers, stumps, fruit, roots or other garden debris will be accepted. These items, as well as brush and leaves, may be disposed of at the Waste Management Metro Landfill.**

Tackling Some Spring Cleaning?

Metro Landfill—All yard debris or household trash may be taken to Waste Management Metro Landfill at 12200 W. South County Line Road. This site is open to Franklin residents with identification on Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturdays from 7 a.m. until Noon. Call Waste Management at 529-6180 for further information.

Hazardous Waste—Items such as paint, varnish, pesticides, weed killer, gasoline, and kerosene may be taken to Veolia Environmental Services at 10518 S. 124th Street. It is open to Milwaukee County residents on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. For additional information call 262-255-6655.

Special Pick-Up—If you are unable to haul your larger items of household refuse or furniture to the Waste Management Metro Landfill or would like to dispose of a computer, call Veolia Waste Services at 262-679-0860 for pricing and scheduling of a special pick-up.

City of Franklin Recycling Center—You may bring your recyclables into the Recycling Center located at 7979 W. Ryan Road. This site is open to Franklin residents Monday thru Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Used motor oil, used anti-freeze, car and truck batteries, as well as brush, are also accepted at this site. Yard debris and household trash are **not** accepted. Call 425-2592 for further information.

Wood Chips are available for Franklin residents at any time at the Recycling Center, located in a bin just outside the entrance to the Recycling Center. It is self-service, so be sure to bring along a shovel or pitch fork.

2007 City-Wide Street Improvements

The City's 2007 construction year will be extremely active with the following projects occurring throughout the City:



- The State DOT will be completing the south set of lanes (future eastbound) on W. Ryan Road between S. 27th Street and S. 68th Street. Motorists are now driving on the newly constructed north set of lanes (future westbound). W. Ryan Road will include street lights and sidewalks and will be completed this coming fall.
- W. Oakwood Road from S. 27th Street to west of S. 34th Street will be reconstructed by the City. Much of this road will be 4 lanes with grass median. Also included is a signalized intersection at S. 27th Street. This work will begin in spring extending to fall. Golfers at Oakwood Golf Course will need to enter from the west. The City and Milwaukee County Parks will be working together by using surplus fill and topsoil from Oakwood Road to enhance course lands.
- W. Wheaton Way will be constructed west of S. 27th Street on the north side of the Wheaton Franciscan Hospital site and will serve as the main entrance to the hospital and future business park to the north. This includes the City's first roundabout.
- The extension of S. 31st Street to W. Rawson Avenue will be complete as an urban 4-lane street that will provide another connection to Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company.
- S. 31st Street from W. Drexel Avenue north one-half mile will be improved to an urban section street with storm sewer and curb and gutter.
- The annual Resurfacing Program is anticipated to include the following improvements:



W. Sharon Lane (S. 36th to 42nd Street and north)
S. 33rd Street (Southwood to Central)
S. 35th Street (College to 1,350 ft. South)
Schlueter Parkway (Drexel to Legend)
South County Line Road (S. 76th to S. 92nd Street)
Woodward Drive (S. 35th to S. 42nd Street)
W. Allwood Drive (S. 58th to S. 60th Street)
W. High Street (S. 76th to S. 79th Street)

- W. Marquette Avenue and S. Hillendale Dr. will be extended to develop a second road access to Pleasant View School.

City Receives Grant for New Bike Trail



The City received a \$170,000 grant from the Wisconsin DNR to develop St. Martins Bike Trail, a 2.3 mile recreational trail along the old WE Energies right-of-way from St. Martin of Tours Church on South 116th Street to the City of Muskego limits. To be completed this summer, this trail will connect to the regional trail along STH 36.

The City was among 33 grant recipients in Southeastern Wisconsin that received a total of \$5.5 million.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Murder in Movie Land

*A Murder Mystery Dinner—
Murder Mystery Comedy by Dick & Vickie Katschke*

Saturday, March 24th, 6 p.m.
Tuckaway Country Club
6901 W. Drexel Avenue, Franklin

Tickets: \$50 (Includes dinner & show)

Call 525-0009 or visit www.franklinculturalcenter.org for more information or to charge tickets online. Open to non-country club members and members alike. Advance purchase required. Discounts for tables of 8 purchased at one time.

*Fundraiser for the
Franklin Cultural Arts Center*

Franklin Community Classic

2nd ANNUAL
2007



DIAPER DASH • FAMILY WALK • 5K RUN

Saturday, May 12, 2007
Root River Parkway in Whitnall Park
Picnic Area I

5K Run

9 a.m. Race Begins
10 a.m. Award Ceremony
Medals for men/women
1st, 2nd, 3rd place categories

Family Walk

9:15 a.m. Walk Begins
Wagons and strollers
permitted



Diaper Dash

10:30 a.m. Dash Begins
Ages 3 & Under
Awards given to all participants



See Registration Form inside this newsletter or register online at www.franklincomedrec.org. Early packet pickup is 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 10th & 11th at Franklin Community Education & Recreation Office, located in Franklin High School, 8222 S. 51st Street. Registration Form and signed waiver is required before beginning race. Early registration deadline is 4 p.m. on May 7 (to receive a t-shirt, you must register before May 7).

**Please call the Recreation Office at 423-4646
or South Shore YMCA at 764-6400 with any
questions or concerns!**

5th Annual Community Walk

*Benefiting the Franklin Educational Foundation and the
Students of the Franklin Public Schools*

Saturday, May 19th, 9 a.m.
Froemming Park
8801 S. 51st Street, Franklin

Sponsored by Vulcan Materials Company



Innovative Health & Fitness and the Franklin Educational Foundation will host the 5th Annual Community Walk on Saturday, May 19th. Join in the 2- or 4-mile fun walk along the Oak Leaf Trail beginning and ending in Froemming Park, 8801 S. 51st Street, Franklin. Honorary Chair and Emcee **Lance Allan**, from WTMJ 4 Sports, the **Klement's Sausage Racers**, and the **Forest Park Middle School Jazz Band** will all be there, along with sponsor giveaways, raffle drawings, and refreshments.

Register online at www.mylinnovativehealth.com/walk or download a Registration Form and mail to: Franklin Educational Foundation, 8255 W. Forest Hill Ave., Franklin, WI 53132. Registration Fees: Student \$9, Adult \$18, Senior \$10, Family (same address only) \$45. Registrations received by April 20th will include a t-shirt.

For more information, please contact Marlene Vidal, Executive Director, at 414-525-7650 or vidalm@franklin.k12.wi.us.

2007 Franklin Civic Celebration

Tuesday, July 3rd, 5 p.m.—Midnight
Wednesday, July 4th, 9 a.m.—10 p.m.

July 4th Parade: Children's Parade-10:30 a.m.; Main Parade-11 a.m. If interested in entering a group to participate in the parade, please request a registration packet now by calling **Jeanine Olson** at 425-7789 or via email at jeanineolson@sbcglobal.net. All local area scout troops, churches, youth groups, booster clubs, and civic organizations are encouraged to participate. Deadline for entry is June 15th.

Franklin Idol V Contest: The Franklin Idol V contest is back for its 5th season—scheduled for **Tuesday, July 3rd**, 6:30 p.m. Contestants age 18 or over singing to karaoke music are judged on talent, style, and crowd appreciation. Cash prizes include: 1st Place \$1000; 2nd Place \$500; 3rd Place \$250; and 4th Place \$100.

To qualify, contestants will be chosen from live auditions. Live auditions can be arranged between April and June. For more information, contact **John Bergner** at 425-2884. Selected contestants will be notified via phone.

(Contest is open to U.S. residents 18 years or older, except employees and their immediate families of the City of Franklin and the Franklin Civic Celebrations Commission. Anyone related to a judge is ineligible. By entering, all entrants accept and agree to abide by official rules and decisions of the Commission and its judges relating to this contest.)

Entertainment: Local bands performing include **The Toys**, **Chasin' Mason**, **Eddie Butts Band**, **Category X**, and **The Screaming Cucumbers**. The spectacular **Bartolotta Fireworks** will once again light up the sky July 4th!

Volunteers: If interested in volunteering, please fill out the enclosed form or contact **Wendy Knackert** at 425-7331 to register. Volunteers must be at least 21 years old.

DIAL 9-1-1 FOR ALL EMERGENCIES!

Fire Department Non-Emergency—425-1420

Police Department Non-Emergency—425-2522



In Franklin, dialing 9-1-1 from your home phone will put you in immediate contact with a skilled dispatcher who will quickly dispatch a police officer, an ambulance, or a fire engine depending on your emergency.

**Dial 9-1-1 . . . For an Ambulance . . .
A Fire Engine . . . A Police Officer!**



Heart Attack & You

One of the most serious emergency calls the Franklin Fire Department responds to is the **heart attack**. When someone experiences a heart attack, the Franklin Paramedic Unit-Med-11 is capable of "bringing the emergency room to the patient". In order for a patient to have a successful outcome after a heart attack, however, it is imperative that these emergency medical services reach the patient as soon as possible. It is important to recognize the signs and symptoms of a heart attack. Although a heart attack can occur with minimum or no signs or symptoms, below are some of the most commonly experienced signs and symptoms of a heart attack:

Chest Pain—This chest pain is often described by the patient as a heavy, crushing, or squeezing pain or pressure, or as only a slight "discomfort". The location of this "chest pain" is usually the chest, but it may also be the left arm, left neck, or even the left jaw. Occasionally, pain is experienced on the right side as well, particularly in women.

Difficulty Breathing—Shortness of breath often comes on without any type of physical exertion. In fact, sometimes patients are awakened from their sleep with the symptoms of a heart attack. Typically, the patient will state "I can't catch my breath!"

Nausea—Often symptoms of a heart attack are accompanied with a feeling of sickness from the slight nausea of an upset stomach to a feeling of a need to vomit.

Diaphoresis (Sweating)—For no apparent reason, a person may begin to sweat while experiencing a heart attack.

These are only typical symptoms of a heart attack. A heart attack can occur without any symptoms or with any combination of these symptoms. For example, persons with a history of diabetes may not experience any pain with a heart attack.

Again, the best results for patient recovery from a heart attack or any medical emergency can be obtained if emergency medical treatment is provided early. Call 911 at the first sign of the onset of a possible heart attack. Often persons experiencing the early signs of a heart attack will deny that they are having a heart attack. This denial often results in the delay of that crucial call to 911 and the necessary care that is needed. If you or someone you know is experiencing any signs or symptoms of a possible heart attack, call 911 to at least be checked out by the highly trained, highly skilled medical professionals of the Franklin Fire Department.

Open Burning—Permits Required

The Spring burning season begins April 1st and ends June 15th. Burning Permits are required and available for purchase at Franklin City Hall (Clerk's Office) during regular business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The following rules apply for open burning within the City of Franklin:



The wind velocity can not exceed 9 miles per hour.

The contents of the pile can only include leaves, brush, and other garden refuse. **Burning of building materials is not permitted.**

The size of the pile shall not exceed 4 feet in width or 3 feet in height and must be a minimum of 50 feet from buildings and 25 feet from any public roadway, highway, or other thoroughfare.



A competent person, at least 16 years of age, shall constantly supervise the open burning until the fire is extinguished.

If smoke travels in such a manner to obscure any public roadway, highway, or other public thoroughfare, the fire shall be extinguished.



Open air burning is only permitted from 7 a.m. to ½ hour after sunset. Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be used to ignite or accelerate the fire at any point.

The Fire Department reserves the right to revoke permits, request that any open burning be extinguished, and/or impose fines for violating the above regulations. The Fire Chief may temporarily disallow open burning due to circumstances such as extremely dry or other hazardous conditions.

Some Friendly Reminders . . .

Address Numbers—If you cannot see your address from the road, neither can the Fire Department. Time is of the essence during emergency response, so it is extremely important for emergency responders to be able to locate the right house quickly. To avoid a delayed response by emergency responders, make sure your address is visible from the street. If your home is set back far off of the road, address numbers located on your home alone may not be enough for emergency responders to see. Please check the visibility of your address now, in case we need to find you later.

Please Use Caution—Most saw or heard the recent news about the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Deputy who was critically injured when struck by a vehicle while working at the scene of a car crash. Everyday, members of the Franklin Fire and Police Departments find themselves working under the same type of circumstances that led to the injuries of this Deputy. When approaching a scene of a car crash where medical and law enforcement personnel are operating, please approach with caution. In Wisconsin, it is the *law* to move over to the next traffic lane (if a lane is available) when passing law enforcement and rescue personnel. ***Please slow down—move over—find another route—stop and wait!***



Your Health Matters

Franklin Health Department, 425-9101, Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
(Clinics held 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.)



Hunger Help

The rising cost of heating homes and filling cars with gas has put a strain on the budgets of many families. **Where can you turn for help to feed your families?** The programs listed below offer help.

Food Stamps/Food Share/QUEST

Generally, those who are eligible for this benefit are employed but do not earn enough to completely support their families, are disabled and cannot work, have lost their jobs, or are living on small, fixed incomes. Call 289-6000 to determine eligibility or to apply.

WIC

The purpose of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is to promote and maintain the health and well-being of nutritionally at-risk pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women; infants; and children. WIC provides supplemental nutritious foods, nutrition and breastfeeding information, and referral to other health and nutrition services. Call 1-800-722-2295. **WIC Clinics** are held at the Greenfield Health Department (329-5243) on Mondays and Tuesdays, and at the Cudahy Health Department (769-2229) on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

Share

A nonprofit food buying club that offers nutritious products at reduced cost through a volunteer-run, community-based distribution system. Anyone may participate. Participants save up to 30-50% on groceries. Call 1-800-548-2124.

Food Pantries

Food pantries are located throughout Milwaukee County and offer food for needy families. Call "211" for the nearest pantry. Several Franklin churches have food pantries that serve City residents.

Senior Meal Program

Franklin City Hall is one site for the Department of Aging Meal Program. The menu is available at City Hall and in the NOW newspaper. First time participants must pre-register in person at City Hall between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 414-427-7696.

Mobile Meals

The Department on Aging offers home delivered meals to seniors who meet generous income guidelines and have difficulty with mobility. Call Elder Link at 414-289-6874.

Stock Boxes

The Hunger Task Force offers FREE "Stock Boxes" once per month to low income people over 60 years of age. Each box is filled with a variety of healthy foods. Call 414-777-0483 to place your order. If homebound or unable to pick up your stock box, call Wayne Kestner at Hales Corners Lutheran Church at 414-529-6700 to order your stock box and schedule delivery.

The Franklin Health Department is available to help families find appropriate resources to meet the needs of their families. Please call us at 425-9101.

Flu Season—Full Swing Thru Spring!

Unfortunately, the beginning of spring does not mean the end of Influenza season. There is often a second spike in the number of diagnosed cases of influenza during the spring months. Keep yourself and family healthy by following these simple tips.

How Germs Spread

Illnesses like colds and influenza are mainly spread from person to person in respiratory droplets of coughs and sneezes—called "droplet spread". This happens when droplets from a cough or sneeze of an infected person move through the air and are deposited onto the mouth or nose of people nearby. Sometimes germs can also be spread when a person touches respiratory droplets from another person on a surface such as a desk, and then touches his or her own eyes, mouth, or nose before washing their hands. Some viruses and bacteria can live 2 hours or longer on surfaces like cafeteria tables, doorknobs, and desks.



How to Stop the Spread of Germs

In a nutshell, take care to:

- Cover mouth and nose with kleenex or sleeve when coughing or sneezing
- Clean hands often with soap and warm water
- Remind your children to practice healthy habits too

What can you do from home?

- Stay home from work or school if you have a cold with a fever of 101.5° or greater.
- Log onto www.pandemicflu.gov and preview the "Individual Planning" checklist for more information on essential family preparations.

Franklin Health Department Gains National Recognition for Emergency Public Health Preparedness

The Franklin Health Department, a member of the Milwaukee/Waukesha County Consortium for Emergency Public Health Preparedness, was 1 of only 7 regional partnerships nationwide to win recognition this last December for being ready to respond to bioterrorism events, new epidemics, natural disasters, and other public health emergencies. The Consortium successfully completed "Project Public Health Ready", sponsored by the National Association of County and City Health Officials.

This achievement demonstrates excellence in 3 areas: planning for emergency preparedness, developing a competent workforce, and conducting full-scale exercises and other complicated simulation drills.

Only 42 local departments or regional partnerships have received this recognition in the past 3 years. There are approximately 3,000 local health departments in the U.S.

Congratulations to the Franklin Health Dept. & its partners for receiving this national award!

Your Health Matters

(Continued)



Inside the Dark Side

*The Science Behind Tobacco
The Truth Behind the Lies*



Dr. Victor DeNoble

Thursday, May 17th—7 p.m.

**Education and Community Center
8255 W. Forest Hill Avenue**

Seating is limited—Call 425-9101 to register.

Break the Silence: Beat the Race Against Colorectal Cancer

Colorectal cancer is a disease that is preventable, treatable, and beatable. Males and females over 50, and adults with a family and/or personal history of colon cancer, polyps, and ulcerative colitis are at risk.

**Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare and the
Franklin Health Department
are sponsoring a free seminar on:**

Tuesday, March 13th, 6-8:15 p.m.

**Franklin Public Library
9151 West Loomis Road, Franklin**

Call 1-877-226-8362 to Register!

Dr. Ali Diba, Gastroenterologist, will discuss the latest available screening procedure for colon cancer, the "virtual colonoscopy", and discuss colon cancer risk factors and how to prevent colorectal cancer. Elena Ferrise, Registered Dietitian, will discuss preventing colon cancer through dietary habits and changes.

Attendees will receive a packet of information and have the opportunity to complete a colon cancer self risk-assessment based on the American Cancer Society guidelines for "Screening and Surveillance of Colorectal Adenomas and Cancer". After the presentation, participants will have an opportunity to ask questions. Refreshments and door prizes will also be provided.

**Make sure you are equipped with the
information you need to combat and beat this
disease—Call 1-877-226-8362 to register!**

Qualification Now Required for Persons Speaking in a Representative Capacity to the City of Franklin

At their January 9, 2007 meeting, the Franklin Common Council approved Resolution No. 2007-6227 which requires that persons speaking in a representative capacity for homeowner associations, condominium associations, neighborhood organizations, business associations, or similar groups, to be qualified to do so. The below summarizes the requirements of the approved resolution.

- Persons wishing to present themselves to City staff, Boards and Commissions, and/or the Common Council as spokespersons on behalf of a neighborhood, subdivision, homeowners association, condominium association, business association, or similar group with common interests shall demonstrate their qualifications to do so by submitting a written survey, petition, certificate of authority, election, or proxy stating that such person(s) have the legitimate authority to act as a spokesperson or representative for the group.
- Documentation of qualification to speak in a representative capacity is to be submitted to the City Clerk for verification before said spokesperson or representative will be recognized by the City as speaking for such group. Documentation submitted less than 48 hours prior to the time of the presentation intended may result in the denial of such recognition or postponement. This will be subject to the schedule of the City Clerk and whether it reasonably allowed for the completion of such review in less than such time period limitation.
- Staff will assist the City Clerk in assembling a list of existing homeowner's associations, condominium associations, business associations, and similar groups identifying their respective spokesperson(s) or representative(s). The City Clerk will then publish the list by way of its availability for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk no later than June 30, 2007, and will maintain it thereafter.
- It will be the responsibility of the organizations to inform the City Clerk in a reasonably prompt manner of the identity of their designated spokesperson(s) or representative(s), as the persons holding such positions may change.

**Please call the City Clerk's Office at
425-7500 with questions.**



**Franklin Lions Club
Easter Egg Hunt**
For children 10 and under

Saturday, April 7th—10 a.m.
Lions Legend Park
(Behind Franklin City Hall
9229 W. Loomis Road)

**Candy and Surprises
Dozens of Eggs
Visit by the Easter Bunny**

Does Your Tap Water Smell Like Chlorine?



If so, this is okay! Chlorine is a very effective disinfectant used to protect the water by killing any bacteria that might get into the City's water system. The City of Oak Creek Water Utility, as the water provider to the City of Franklin Water Utility, chlorinates its water at its treatment plant. The amount used is closely monitored to acceptable standards to provide for disinfection.

Surprisingly, if the water has a chlorine smell, it actually means that the chlorine is working as a disinfectant—not that the water is over-chlorinated. If you find this taste and odor unappealing, fill a container with water and store it in the refrigerator for drinking. Leave the cap slightly loose and most of the chlorine smell should dissipate.

Other options available are a hand-held pitcher with an activated carbon filter to remove chlorine or a point-of-use water treatment device can be installed on a faucet for your cooking and drinking water. Be certain that the device has been tested by an independent organization for aesthetic (non-health) use.

If the chlorine persists beyond a couple of days, please call the Water Utility at 421-2613 to report the details.

City Enters Participation Agreement Through RTC in Lawsuit Over Cable Service

Local, state, and federal law require cable television providers to enter into a franchise agreement with local governments to provide cable television service in their community. This enables the City to receive franchise fees and other benefits that, in part, help offset the impacts on the City for allowing the cable company to put their wires and infrastructure along the roadways. The franchise fees are an important source of revenue providing over \$300,000 per year to the City.

Time Warner Cable has been the only cable television service provider in the City of Franklin for many years and, therefore, is the only company that has entered into the necessary franchise agreement. Recently, AT&T has indicated that it intends to provide a competing cable service in the Milwaukee area, including Franklin. AT&T, however, believes that the service it intends to offer, called U-Verse TV, is not cable television. As such, AT&T has refused to enter into a franchise agreement under the City Code.

The Milwaukee Metropolitan market is the third area in the Country, after San Antonio and Houston, Texas, where AT&T intends to install the new service. The City of Milwaukee commenced a legal action for a declaratory judgment in Federal Court in Milwaukee to have the Court declare that the U-Verse service is cable television and subject to the cable franchise laws. More than 20 other local communities, including Franklin, have joined into a cooperative agreement involving the intervention by the Regional Telecommunications Commission (RTC) in that lawsuit. Franklin is a member of the RTC.

The subject is ripe with issues of fair play between and among service providers, as well as the promotion of the benefits of competition in a free market. While AT&T notified the City that it is not subject to the cable television franchise laws, Time Warner, as the sole existing cable television provider in the City, notified the City that it expects the City to regulate AT&T under the franchise laws and that it is the City's obligation to do so.

The matter is largely an interpretation of federal law defining cable service. In the end, the Courts, the State, or the Congress will likely decide whether AT&T's new service is cable television. Stay tuned.

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Library Celebrates 5th Anniversary!

2007 marks the 5th Anniversary of the Franklin Public Library's new building! To celebrate, the following series of events have been planned.

Three musical programs designed for children 4 and above performed by professional artists from The Milwaukee Ballet, Florentine Opera, and the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. Call 425-8214 to register. Brought to you through a generous donation from the Northwestern Mutual Foundation.

Saturday, March 17, 1:30 p.m.—“The King Who Danced”

The King Who Danced is a 50-minute multi-media performance starring 18 dancers about the history of ballet, from King Louis XIV all the way to Milwaukee Ballet. This show is historical, educational, and entertaining!

Saturday, April 21, 1:30 p.m.—“The Three Little Pigs”

The Three Little Pigs is a complete one act opera performed in 45 minutes by a cast of 5 teaching artists. It includes a “question and answer” session (and a Big Bad Wolf)! The “pigs” learn the importance of reading as they attempt to build a house that can withstand the wolf’s mean threats.

Saturday, May 5, 1:30 p.m.—“MSO Storytellers”

The Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra (MSO) Storytellers will introduce young children to the expressive capabilities of instruments in storytelling along with a narrative. It uses music, sound effects, and the children’s imaginations in this 30-minute program. Four MSO musicians will play percussion, clarinet, and bass.

An evening concert for adults brought to you through a generous donation from the Northwestern Mutual Foundation. Call 425-8214 to register.

Saturday, May 5, 6:30 p.m.—“Salt Creek”

Salt Creek is a string band featuring Colin O'Brien that plays a masterful blend of bluegrass, folk, Dixie, and mountain music. The group has performed at Irishfest, Zoo Ala Carte, Summerfest, and Bastille Days. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Franklin Public Library. Call 425-8214 to register.

Last but not least, a community event for all ages!

Sunday, May 6, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.—“Community Sing-A-Long”

Come celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the new Library with a **Community Sing-A-Long** featuring performances by Mayor Tom Taylor and other community artists. Don't miss an old-fashioned ice cream and cake social sponsored by the Friends of the Library. The celebration will culminate with a quilt raffle.



We Did It Again!

Your Franklin Public Library had another record setting year! Here's a look at some of those statistics:



	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Circulation (Items Checked Out)	465,678	452,382	434,846
Computer Usage (Adult & Children)	51,187	48,924	39,059
Children's Programs (Attendance)	13,404	13,434	11,974



The Franklin Public Library provides a variety of events and programs for all ages. A summary of upcoming events/programs are listed below. Call the Library at 425-8214 for more information or to register.

Family Programs (All ages welcome; no registration needed)

March 21, 7 p.m.—Storyteller **Karen Wendt** presents “Wild Tales of Fox, Frog, Dog & Friends”.

April 24, 6:30 p.m.—Wehr Nature Center presents “Spring Animals of Wisconsin”.

May 10, 6:30 p.m.—Bubble-ology. Become a “Bubble-ologist” (soapy scientist)!

Spring Story Time Sessions (Registration required)

Nursery Rhyme Time—March 23 & 30 and April 6 & 13. Ages birth to 17 months. 20-minute structured program/40-minute social time. Walkers-9:30 a.m., Pre-Walkers-10:45 a.m.

Storytimes—Mondays at 6:30 p.m., Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m., or Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. Ages 3 to 5. April 16, 17, or 18 through May 21, 22, and 23.

Book Discussion Groups (Free! No registration required)

Night Readers—3rd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. Bring along your dinner; beverages provided.

Brown Baggers—3rd Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. Bring along your lunch; beverages provided.



Other Events/Programs

April 19, 12:30 p.m.—Presentation by **Dennis McCann**, travel columnist with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, covering **travel tales and travel suggestions**. Registration required.

Wednesday Evenings—**Mr. Rich Novell** volunteers to help individuals **learn how to use the Internet**. Call 425-8214 to sign up for an individual session at 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m., or 8 p.m.

Franklin Senior Citizens Club

Open to Franklin Residents 55 Years of Age & Older



Becoming a Member

The Franklin Senior Citizens Club is open to all Franklin residents who are 55 years of age or older. Activities include luncheons, holiday parties, guest speakers, movies, card playing, and social camaraderie. Annual dues are just \$10 per person. For more information or reservations contact: Shirley Kammers (421-6727) or Rose Pipes (425-0078).

Franklin Seniors Walking Club

Meets 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. every Thursday at Milwaukee County Sports Complex, 6000 W. Ryan Road. Dues: \$5 (Includes T-shirt). Contact Ed Waldoch at 421-0557 for more information.

Elder Link—24-hour resource center for older adults. Call 289-6874 for senior or family care and meal site information.

City of Franklin Senior Travel Program

If you are looking to meet new friends and enjoy traveling, the Franklin Senior Travel Program is for YOU!

April 2007

Apr. 19: UW Varsity Band Spring Concert. Travel this evening to the Kohl Center for the UW Varsity Band's Annual Spring Concert. Begun in 1975, it has grown into a 3-night extravaganza complete with professional staging, lighting, sound, and pyrotechnics performed for 25,000 Badger fans. Family-style dinner at the Essen Haus German Restaurant featuring sauerbraten and roast pork loin, potatoes, vegetable, apple strudel, and beverage. Departure is at 3:30 p.m. from Pick 'N Save parking lot, return time is approximately 12 Midnight. RSVP by March 19, 2007. \$48 Resident/\$58 Non-Resident.

May 2007

May 15: Wisconsin's Lighthouses. Trip begins by viewing the North Point Lighthouse constructed in 1855 and decommissioned in 1994. Travel north and visit the Port Washington Light Station, built in 1860 and used until the mid 1970's. Hear interesting stories about the lives of the lighthouse keepers and their families. Browse unique shops and enjoy a family-style luncheon of chicken and roast beef at the Lighthouse Inn, located on the shores of Lake Michigan. After lunch, tour the North Pier Light, another type of lighthouse that marks a harbor entrance. RSVP by April 15, 2007. \$39 Resident/\$49 Non-Resident.

June 2007

June 4: Daniel O'Donnell at the Milwaukee Theatre. The Irish vocal sensation Daniel O'Donnell brings his talents to the Milwaukee Theatre! With songs like "I Need You", "An Irish Lullaby", and "Hello Darling", Daniel showcases his repertoire of standards and originals with a blend of traditional Irish ballads, country, and gospel favorites. Reserved lower mezzanine seating for the 7 p.m. concert. Departure is at 5:10 p.m. from Pick 'N Save parking lot, return time is approximately 10:30 p.m. RSVP by April 15, 2007. \$89 Resident/\$99 Non-Resident.

June 2007 (Continued)

June 10: Doc Severinsen Swinging Big Band. Spend an enjoyable Sunday afternoon at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts. Begin with a delicious buffet luncheon in one of the ballrooms. Then relax as Doc Severinsen brings his Swing Band and inimitable wardrobe for a day of jazz swing and big band classics! RSVP by April 30, 2007. \$70 Resident/\$80 Non-Resident.

June 27: Fireside Dinner Theater—"The Odd Couple". Lunch and show at the Fireside. A stop will be made at Jones Sausage Company. RSVP by May 30, 2007. \$60 Resident/\$70 Non-Resident

Reservations: Accepted on a first come/first serve basis. No phone reservations. Full payment guarantees your reservation.

Refunds: No refunds are given after the RSVP deadline unless your ticket can be resold.

Insurance: The City of Franklin and the Franklin Senior Citizens Club do not provide medical insurance or hospitalization coverage for participants in tours or activities.

Cancellations: Tours may be cancelled due to weather or lack of interest.

Non-Resident: Non-residents may participate in tours if space is available after the deadline date of the trip. All trips have limited seating. Non-residents pay an additional \$10 cost.

All trips depart from the NW corner of Pick 'N Save parking lot at 76th & Rawson Avenue. Questions can be directed to: Shirley Bird, Tour Director, at 425-4502 or 529-2484.

